

Amendments to the Compendium of Classification Opinions – HS Committee 59th Session

The following list contains the decisions taken by the Harmonized System Committee (59th Session – March 2017) concerning amendments to the Harmonized System Compendium of Classification Opinions, applicable as of 1 June 2017. This publication will be updated regularly.

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The amendments listed below are reproduced in the order of the current pages concerned and will be incorporated into the aforementioned WCO publication in due time by replacing the pages affected by the amendments made.

Advice

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “**1209.91** 1. **Seeds for sowing**, separated from fruit of the genus *Capsicum*, cleaned and treated with the fungicide Thiram.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.”

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “**1602.50** 2. **Prepared chilli stew**, consisting of 70 % beef, 7 % sweet pepper, 7 % onion, 5.3 % rape seed oil, 3.5 % sugar, 3.2 % spices (kitchen herbs), 2.1 % vegetable starch, 0.7 % dark chocolate, 0.5 % salt, 0.3 % cocoa and 0.4 % other ingredients. The product is frozen and put up in a plastic bag for retail sale.

Application of GIRs 1 (Note 2 to Chapter 16) and 6.”

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “1704.90** 10. **Cough and throat tablets** consisting essentially of sugars (43.5 %), liquorice extract (13.5 %), other food stuffs, e.g., starch and cellulose (17.6 %), minerals, e.g., calcium carbonate and talc (10.4 %) and flavouring agents (e.g., menthol, peppermint oil, anise oil, eucalyptus oil, creosote and capsicum).

The product is put up in packings for retail sale.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.”

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “1806.90** 3. **Chocolate confectionery (milk chocolate in a sugar shell)**, put up in two packets, each with a net weight of 45 g, presented in a plastic container, as composite goods for retail sale. The container has a lid with a reusable plastic dispenser attached to it. The dispenser – shaped as one of the confectionery brand’s characters – is filled with confectioneries which are dispensed when the character’s hand is pressed.

Application of GIRs 1, 3 (b) and 6.

See also Opinions 1806.90/4 and 9503.00/10



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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “1806.90** 4. **Chocolate confectionery**, containing peanuts (23 %) covered in milk chocolate (48 %) and coated in sugar, presented in a cardboard box with a net content of 140 g. The plastic lid is topped with a toy character of the confectionery brand attached to a spring. The toy can be removed from the spring.

Application of GIRs 1, 5 (b) and 6.

See also Opinions 1806.90/3 and 9503.00/10



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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “2106.90** 35. **Black mulberry leaves** cut into small pieces, produced by steaming, fermentation with fungi, drying and roasting. The leaf pieces are put up in small sachets (tea bags), containing 2 grams. The product is intended to be consumed as a beverage after infusing in hot water.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.”

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- “**2106.90** 36. **Black mulberry leaves** cut into small pieces, produced by steaming, fermentation with fungi, drying and roasting. The leaf pieces are presented in 30 kg bulk containers made of woven fabrics. The product is intended to be consumed as a beverage after infusing in hot water.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.”

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “**3207.10** 1. **Ceramic inks for inkjet devices**, consisting of a suspension of 25 to 50 % by weight of inorganic pigments (e.g., cobalt aluminate, zinc iron chromite, nickel-titanium antimony) in organic solvents (40 to 70 % by weight). The product is used by the ceramics industry in digital applications with inkjet devices to produce a coloured or opaque surface in the course of ceramic firing.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.”

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “**5407.20** 1. **Tubular woven fabric**, made from strips of plastics of an apparent width not exceeding 5 mm. The fabric is presented lay-flat, in rolls of a length of 1500 m and a width of 70 cm. It does not have any sewing on the edges, nor has it been glued or stapled in any way, and is used for making bags for packing a variety of products.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.



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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “6109.10** 1. **Women’s knitted short-sleeved T-shirt**, made of 80 % cotton, 14 % viscose and 6 % elastane. It is designed to cover the upper part of the body and reaches down to just above the waist.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.



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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “6110.30** 4. **Women’s knitted long-sleeved pullover**, made of 100 % polyester. It is designed to cover the upper part of the body and reaches down to just above the waist.

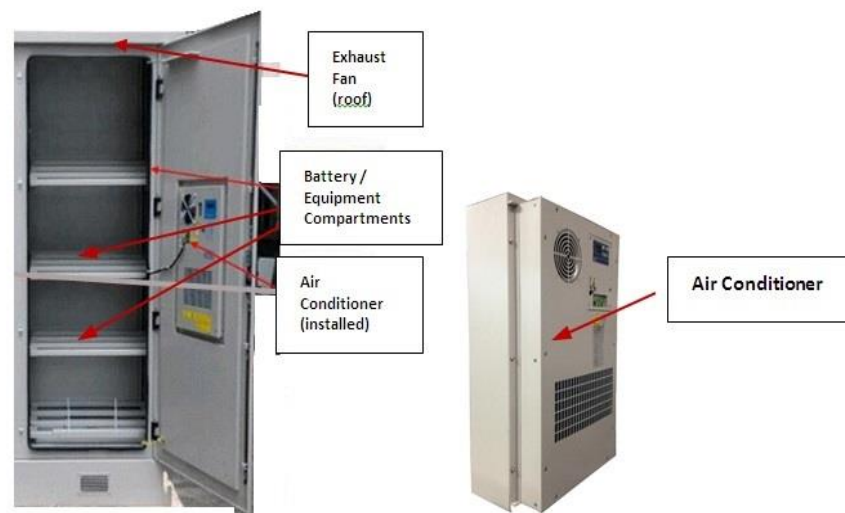
Application of GIRs 1 and 6.



Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “8418.69** 2. **Refrigerated outdoor cabinet**, designed for the insertion of electric and electronic apparatus such as rectifiers, batteries and telecommunication equipment. The cabinet is made of insulated steel and designed to be installed directly outdoors on the ground. The internal structure has double compartments : 1) a battery compartment which is composed of four battery racks; and 2) an equipment compartment which provides for “rack” units. It is equipped with a 2000 W direct current (DC) air conditioner without an air humidity control function on the front door and a DC emergency exhaust fan on the cabinet roof.

Application of GIRs 1, 3 (b) and 6.



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Insert the following Classification Opinions :

- “8479.89** 8. **Flat base silos**, made of corrugated sheets of galvanized steel iron, used for grain storage, ranging from 4.51 to 31.60 m in diameter with storage capacity from 50 to 15,000 tons, containing an indoor temperature control system which helps to identify the hot areas and insect activity. They are equipped with a bottom sweep auger which rotates 360° around its own axis to unload residual grains at the bottom of the silos. Radial and axial fans are used for aeration of stored material.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.



- “8479.89 9. **Conical base silos**, made of corrugated sheets of galvanized steel iron, used for grain storage, produced within a range of 45 - 65° base angle, containing an indoor temperature control system which helps to identify the hot areas and insect activity. Radial and axial fans are used for aeration of stored material.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.



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Insert the following Classification Opinions :

- “8482.40 1. **Needle roller and cage assemblies**, made of iron, consisting of needle rollers (diameter : 2.5 mm, length : 11.6 mm) and a cage (diameter : 21 mm, width : 14 mm). The product is designed to be incorporated to a shaft as the inner raceway and assembled with a gear as the outer raceway. The product is intended to make the gear rotate smoothly and to reduce friction. It is used for an automatic transmission motor vehicle.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6 (Subheading Note 4 to Chapter 84).



- 8482.40** 2. **Needle roller and cage assemblies**, made of iron, consisting of needle rollers (diameter : 2.5 mm, length : 20.8 mm) and split cages (diameter : 26 mm, width : 40 mm). The product is designed to be incorporated to a shaft as the inner raceway and assembled with a gear as the outer raceway. The product is intended to make a driving shaft rotate smoothly and to reduce friction. This assembly with split cages can be attached more easily than a normal assembly. It is used for a manual transmission motor vehicle.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6 (Subheading Note 4 to Chapter 84).

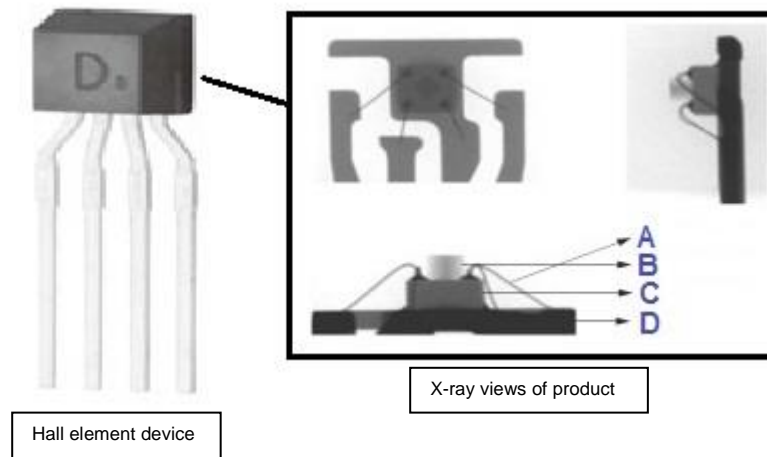


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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “8543.70** 6. **“Hall element device” with four terminals**, consisting of a ferrite substrate with a layer of indium antimonide (InSb) and a ferrite yoke in the role of a magnetic circuit, mounted on a lead frame and wire bonded for connecting to an outer electronic circuit. The device senses magnetism and produces an electric current by “Hall effect” and is used for small accurate motors of washing machines, refrigerators, air conditioners, etc.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.



- A Bonding wire
- B Ferrite yoke
- C Substrate
- D Lead frame”.

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “8609.00** 1. **Tube bundle container**, consisting of a number of cylinders used for the transportation of compressed natural gas (CNG). Each cylinder is equipped with a separate valve and gauge for the discharge and filling of gas. The cylinders are not welded or permanently combined, but enclosed within an outer metal frame of the same dimension as a regular 6 or 12 metre (20 or 40 foot) container. The product is also equipped with holes on the frame, which makes it possible to be attached to a road trailer or other modes of transport.

Application of GIR 1.



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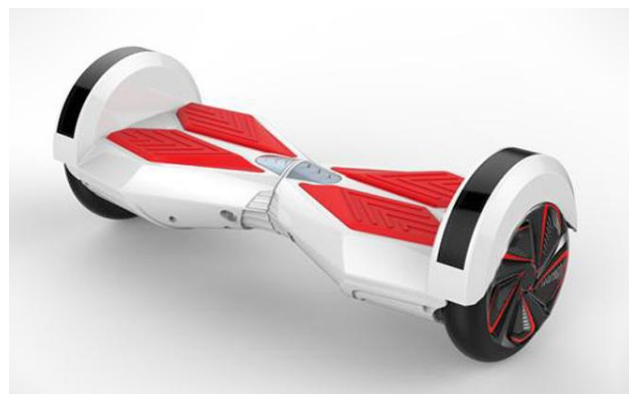
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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “8711.60** 2. **Two-wheeled, self-balancing, electrically-powered transportation device**, designed for carrying a single person, for use within low speed areas such as pavements (sidewalks), paths, and bicycle lanes. The maximum speed of the device is 10 km/h and the maximum distance per charge is 15-20 km.

Through the built-in gyroscope and acceleration sensors, the device uses the dynamic balance principle to control moving forward, backward, turning and stopping. It is controlled by the changes of the operator’s body posture.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.



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Insert the following Classification Opinion:

- “8907.90** 1. **Floating structure** consisting of a subassembly of six plastic cubes connected together. The structure provides flotation of 408 kg (68 kg x 6) and a floating surface above the water of 1.0 m (width) x 1.5 m (length). Each cube is made of high density polyethylene (HDPE) (length 48 cm, width 48 cm, height 36 cm and weight 5.2 kg) and is filled with expanded polystyrene. The cubes are fitted with pressure regulation and moisture control valves and equipped with tabs to facilitate linking them together.

The six-cube subassembly is a fairly substantial floating structure but would typically be used with others to form larger floating structures, such as floating docks, floating walkways, floating work platforms, marinas, etc.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.

See also Opinion 8907.90/2.



- “8907.90 2. **Floating structure** consisting of 134 subassemblies, each subassembly comprising six cubes made of high density polyethylene (HDPE) and filled with expanded polystyrene. The subassemblies are to be assembled together to form larger pre-determined floating structures such as floating docks, floating walkways, floating work platforms, marinas, etc.

Application of GIRs 1, 2 (a) and 6.

See also Opinion 8907.90/1.”

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Insert the following Classification Opinions :

- “9021.10 2. **Screw designed for use in the field of trauma surgery**, made of extra hard, colour-finished titanium alloy, of a length of approximately 12 mm. It has a wholly threaded shank with a constant outer diameter of 3 mm and a head. The shank has an asymmetrical thread. The head is also threaded, allowing it to lock into a compression plate in fixation systems, with a recessed socket drive. The product corresponds to the ISO/TC 150 standards for implant screws. It is presented in a sterilized packing. The product is marked with a number and thereby traceable throughout production, distribution and use.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.



- “9021.10 3. **Screw designed for use in the field of trauma surgery** as a part of a system for posterior stabilization of the spine, made of extra-hard titanium alloy, of a length of 20 to 45 mm. It has a wholly threaded shank with a constant outer diameter of 4 mm and a dual core thread containing a transition zone for the core diameter change. It has also a self-tapping profile and a blunt, threaded tip. The product has a polyaxial (movable) U-shaped, internally threaded head that offers 25° of angulation around its axis allowing its adjustment and a specialized locking cap for fixing a rod (presented separately) in its head. The product corresponds to the ISO/TC 150 standards for implant screws. The product is marked with a number and thereby traceable throughout production, distribution and use.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.



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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “9401.90 1. **Covers for seats of motor vehicles** consisting of assembled pieces made from leather, textile fabrics or plastic materials. These covers are equipped with several elements and cut-outs for fixing and adapting them to the seat carcass. They serve as permanent covers of the seats for specific motor vehicles. After the assembly of the seats, the covers cannot be removed without disassembling the seats.

Application of GIRs 1 and 6.



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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “9403.60** 2. **A-frame easel**, with three legs, two at the front and one at the rear, designed to be placed on the floor. With the “mast” extended, it has a maximum height of 2.28 m (minimum height is 1.67 m) and holds articles such as canvasses, paintings or blackboards up to 1.27 m high.

Application of GIRs 1 (Note 2 to Chapter 94) and 6.



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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “9503.00** 10. **Toy fan** in the form of one of the characters of the confectionery brand attached to a cylindrical container holding a sachet of chocolate confectionery with a net weight of 20 g, put up for retail sale. The fan is operated by an electric motor powered by one AA battery (included) and sits on top of the container.

Application of GIR 1 (Note 4 to Chapter 95).

See also Opinions 1806.90/3 and 1806.90/4



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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “9504.50** 3. **Virtual reality set for a video game console**, presented in a box for retail sale, consisting of a head-mount display (virtual reality headset), a processing unit, a stereo headphone with earpieces, connecting cables (HDMI, USB and virtual headset), an AC adaptor and a power cord.

The virtual reality headset, which resembles goggles, incorporates sensors, video display module (it can display two side-by-side images) and two magnifying lenses allowing the user to see a stereoscopic view of the screen of the video display module. The processor unit is designed to synchronise the virtual reality headset and the video game console (it delivers the video signal from the console to the headset and the detected signal from the headset to the console).

Application of GIRs 1, (Note 3 to Chapter 95), 3 (b) and 6.



Headset unit